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Colleagues,

This email reports on the Agency's backlog of overdue FOIA requests at the end of November 2021. Overall, the Agency's backlog of overdue FOIA requests went up by the end of November to 1,064 from 1,044 at the end of October.

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Congratulations for a zero backlog at the end of November to OCFO, OMS, and ORD and Regions 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, and 10.

Congratulations also to the following additional offices for a backlog below five: OECA, OITA, OLEM, and Region 6. Maintaining these low numbers is critical to the Agency's overall commitment to transparency and the specific objective to eliminate the FOIA backlog. (This month, NFO in coordination with OCFO will be participating in listening sessions regarding the annual glide path for the Agency to reach a zero backlog and regarding the annual targets for each office that cascade from the agency-wide glide path.)

End of November Overdue FOIA Data

The charts below show the number of overdue FOIA requests in EPA headquarters program offices and the regions at the end of the most recent four months: November, October, September, and August 2021. The Office of the Administrator reduced its backlog by 3 to 615 at the end of November.



